cordance with the approved pattern for construcion of Olympic standard Swimming Pools.

(b) A maximum Central assistance of Rs. 43.00 lakhs may be provided to the State Government, local statutory bodies and registered voluntary organisations active in the field of sports, games and physical culture for construction of 8-Lane Swimming Pool of the size of 50x21 metres, with or without diving facilities and complete with filteration plant. The assistance will be limited to 50 per cent of the estimated cost. For hilly and tribal areas such assistance may be upto 75 percent of the estimated cost subject to a ceiling of Rs. 63.75 lakhs.

(c) Does not arise.

Progress of Literacy Campaign

586. SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the progress of literacy campaign is far from satisfactory in Hindi belt because of the shortage of dedicated voluntary organisations;

(b) if so, other reasons therefor; and

(c) what steps Government have taken in this regard to make the campaign successful?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA): (a) and (b) Total Literacy Campaigns (TLCs) are being implemented in 52 Districts of Hindi speaking States of Bihar, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh and Union Territories of Chandigarh and Delhi. 28 TLC projects by Voluntary Agencies (VAs) in Bihar, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh and Delhi are under implementation.

(c) State Governments have been requested to expedite the recommendations of TLC proposals of Voluntary Agencies under the Central Scheme of Assistance to Voluntary Agencies in Adult Education. Besides, State Governments have been requested to recommend proposals of Total Literacy Campaigns under Zilla Shaksharata Smitis. Following steps have been taken to ensure Successful implementation of Total Literacy campaigns:—

— Regular monitoring through visits of projects by National Literacy Mission (NLM) Officials as well as receipt of periodic prescribed progress reports.

— Visits to the TLC Districts by Literacy Consultants identified by NLM to suggest corrective measures wherever necessary.

Emphasis on involvement of th community to make the implementation more effective.

— Organisation of regular workshops of Collectors to sensitize them to make the campaign more effective.

— Involvement of VAs by organisation of workshops for them, for participation in the programme for effective implementation of the projects.

Travel assistance to Chess Team

587. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVEVLOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Rs. 40 crores has been provided for sports in the 8th Five Year Plan;

(b) whether this amount is meant for development of all sports of Government have shortlisted some sports;